

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/976,310  
Applicant : Bidyut Parruck, et al  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
U.S.A.

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**  
**EXPEDITED HANDLING REQUESTED**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 21, 2006, Applicant submits the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.